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24 June 2003

The Honorable Orrin G. Hatch  
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman,

I am writing to advise you of the strong support of the Fraternal Order of Police for the nomination of Christopher A. Wray to be the next Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division at the U.S. Department of Justice.

Currently, Mr. Wray is the Principal Associate Deputy Attorney General at the Department, with his primary focus being on the issues and operations of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the Criminal Division and the U.S. Attorneys' Offices. He is also responsible for counter-terrorism coordination and is the Department's representative on Project Safe Neighborhoods, the Administration's gun violation reduction initiative that the F.O.P. is proud to support.

Mr. Wray began his public service career in 1997 as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in Atlanta, Georgia. He successfully prosecuted numerous Federal cases and earned the respect and admiration of the Georgia law enforcement community by virtue of his dedication and skill as a prosecutor.

It is our understanding that there are those who are concerned that Mr. Wray is too young to fill this important post. The F.O.P. disagrees, noting that some of the Senate's best legislators began their careers at an even younger age. Age is not the issue—ability, knowledge and experience are the factors to be considered. On all these points, Christopher Wray has demonstrated that has the potential to be an outstanding Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division, and we urge the Judiciary Committee to expeditiously approve his nomination.

If I can provide any further recommendations for Mr. Wray, please do not hesitate to contact me or Executive Director Jim Pasco in my Washington office.

Sincerely,

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National President